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THREE LANGUAGE FORMULA
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received a proposal from the Government of Maharashtra for implementation of Three Language Formula; and

(b) if so, the details and the status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) & (b) Government of Maharashtra had written to this. Ministry to direct Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) to introduce three languages upto the S.S.C. level.

It has already been clarified that student studying in schools affiliated to CBSE study three languages upto class - VIII. No student shall tie eligible to appear at the Secondary School Examination of the Board at the end of class X unless one has cleared the third language before that.

In classes DC and X, students have the option of studying two or three languages as per the scheme of studies. Every candidate is required to study two languages at the secondary level out of a band of thirty languages. In addition ta above, a student can offer a third language as an additional subject in classes IX arid X.

CISCE has also intimated that students of all schools affiliated to the Council study three languages on a compulsory basis from classes V to VIII. In classes DC and X, they have the option to study either two or three: languages.